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TAGS: EMIN, BENC, LI

SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECTS: POTENTIAL MINING RAILROAD AND PORT

REF: STATE 28114

2. WOLOGISI IRON ORE MINING PROJECT IS STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION BY AMAX AND JAPANESE GROUP. ALL TECHNICAL STUDIES HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN COMPLETED. ITS IMPLEMENTATION IS, AMONG OTHER REASONS, PENDING OUTCOME OF GOL DECISION TO RENEGOTIATE CONCESSION AGREEMENT WHOSE TERMS SOME CONSIDER TOO FAVORABLE FOR CONCESSIONNAIRE. SITUATION HAS BEEN COMPLICATED BY ILL FEELING BETWEEN OFFICIALS OF CONCESSION HOLDER LISCO (LIBERIAN IRON AND STEEL CORPORATION) AND AMAX, WHICH WOULD OPERATE AND FINANCE IRON ORE MINING VENTURE WITH JAPANESE PARTNERS. BOTH LISCO AND AMAX HAD THEIR SUPPORTERS IN GOL WHO BADMOUTHED THE OTHER AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY. LOCAL AMAX REP INFORMED EMBOFF THAT AMAX PROJECT MANAGER WOULD VISIT LIBERIA SOON TO EVALUATE SITUATION FIRSTHAND. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONTACT WILLIAM HILL, AMAX PROJECT MANAGER, AMAX CENTER, GRRNWICH, CONNECTICUT TO OBTAIN HIS VIEWS. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE BEING ADVISED.

2. EMBASSY HAS HEARD RUMORS OF EITHER RAILROAD OR SLURRY PIPELINE LINKING MINE SITE WITH PORT TO BE BUILT SOMEWHERE BETWEEN MONROVIA AND ROBERTSPORT. TECHNICAL STUDIES WHICH ARE CLOSELY HELD UNDOUBTEDLY MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THIS MATTER.  
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